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SCENES DURING THE EXCITING EXPLOSIONS AND FIRE IN THE YARDS OF THE NEW YORK

CENTRAL RAILROAD TO-DAY IN WHICH ONE MAN LOST HIS LIFE AND MANY WERE BADLY INJURED

1.-Scene when the first explosion occurred. 2.-Police and spectators awaiting the arrival of the engines. 3.-Hook and Ladder arrives just be

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## **NEW YACHT** SPEEDY IN

FIRST AWAY AND GAINS SOME

a Breeze.

GLEN COVE, May 21.—Reliance and Columbia started just before 2 o'clock

They had been held for two hours by

nalled the course as follows: First leg-Run to a mark one half mile north by west from Neck Buoy off East-ern Point light eleven miles east by north a quarter north. Second leg-A reach of three miles west by north to and around k one and a half miles east of Great Captain's Island light. Third leg-To windward eleven miles southwest by south to the starting line, a total dis

was the first to cross. The find had hauled more southerly and instead of a run with spinnakers. starboard tack, with the Rilance on her into the wind as she approached the Reliance and made Capt. Barr luff reached by the Columbia on the

Hardly More Than Drifting.

Taking in her bailoon at 2.35 o'clock the Columbia set a large reaching jib instead, and with the aid of this began to decrease the distance between herthe new yacht did the same five minutes later. The Columbia continued to gain until the Reliance set her staysail and with the help of this drew away

At 250 she was 500 yards ahead of the Columbia. The yachts, however, had not gone 3 1-2 miles, there being a dead

At-3.15 the yachts had gone about five miles and their relative positions re-

mained unchanged. The Rel'ance had increased her lead to half a mile by 3.40 o'clock. A few inutes later a five-knot breeze came off the shore, and the yachts began to move more swiftly. Columbia was the first to feel it. Up to that time it had been a mere drifting match.

Sorrow Over Constitution. There was general disappointment because Constitution was not able to par-ticipate. Belmont's big single-sticker, it was announced, still lay in the Morse Iron Works dry-dock in Brooklyn undergoing repairs necessitated by the accident of Sunday. Nat Herreshoff, w...

was to have sailed on Reliance, went to Brooklyr this morning to examine her As the two sloops manoeuvred at the start the steamer Sirius, carrying the members of the New York Yacht Club. came out of Gien Cove decked with bunting, and a swarm of private sloops and schooners gathered like files about the eastern end of the imaginary course.

· This year's Regatta Committee is made up of ex-Commodors S. Nicholson Kane, Newbury D. Lawton and E. H. Wells. There must be a finish in to-day's race before & o'clock, as the sailing in structions provide that "time will not

he taken later than half an hour after

There will be four races in the present series off Glen Cove. There will be a race on Saturday, one on Tuesday next and one on Memorial Day. It is hoped that the Constitution will be in trim to start in Saturday's race. After the Glen Cove races the next series between the 90-footers is scheduled to take place off Sandy Hook on June 8 and 12.





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Reliance Leads the Columbia in a Drifting Match Up Long Island Sound Toward Stakeboat.

Race Started at 2 O'Clock Over a Twenty-five Mile Triangular Course After a Long Wait for

Club's trial races for the honor of de-fending the America Cup from Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger, Shamrock

the Regatta Committee awaiting a steady breeze. When the preparatory gun was fired there was a feeble wind out of the northwest. The committee's boat sig-

Reliance Crosses First.

POLO GROUNDS, NEW YORK, May I.-Two dozen ball-players from St Louis landed here this afternoon with The Reliance, however, was travelling too fast to be outjockeyed in that way bag, baggage, slouch hats, a few rainy day trousers and plenty of ginger. They routed up Eighth avenue, flung

the Columbia. Both set large jib topgateway and charged to the club-house like wolves upon the fold. umbia for several moments after the As the galaxy of twirlers warmed up the field looked like a windmill colony

Reliance had considerably increased her lead when the yachts were passing Peacock Point, ibout two miles from the starting line. After passing the Point the wine seemed to fall away entirely and the yachts were almost motionless.

Hardly More Than Drifting.

First Inning.

fore the third explosion.

Louis — Each Team

Scores Two Runs in the First

Inning and Fans Cheer.

BATTING ORDER.

Cardinals went to bat. Farrel rapped to Dunn. Donovan took base on balls. Smoot then lifted a two-bagger in the alley near Burkeville that scored Donovan. Brain continued the excitement by hitting clean to centre. Smoot tallied. Hackett fouled to McGaun. Barcay lined into McGaun. Two runs.

ied. Hackett fouled to McGann. Barcay lined into Mertes's hands. Two runs.

Browne walked. He got second on a back. Bresnahan beat his bunt to Murphy. Farrell grabbed McGann's hot one, stepped on second and doubled to first. Browne scored. Mertes ambled. Dunn punched a two-base hit agaist left field fence. Barclay fumbled, giving Dunn third and scoring Mertes. Babb walked. Gilbert died, Williams to Hagkett. Two runs.

Second Inning.

Dunn threw Williams out. Ryan lined to Baob. Murphy was retired, Dunn to McGann. No runs. Donovan now selected another pitcher. Mr. McFarland. Warner lifted a fly back of short stop that no one touched. Cronin struck out. On Browne's single past second Warner scored. Browne stole. Williams made sensational one hand stop from Bresnahan. McGann lined to Farrell. One run.

Third Inning,

Cronin handled Farrell's bunt. Donovan popped to McGenn. Gilbert threw Smoot out. No runs.

Weaver replaced Ryan behind the bat. Ryan's finger being split, by pitched hall, Mertes buffed a single into left. Dunn filed to centre. Mortes stole Babb rapped to third. Brain fumbled, were see was caught trying to get home. Babb scored on Gilbert's hit to left. Warner out. One run.

Fourth Inning.

Bra'n walked and stole second. Hack-ett fanned. Babb fielded Barclay to nrst. etting Brain take third. Williams doubled to left, storing Brain. Weaver struck out. One run. For the second time Cronin fanned. Browne was out, Williams to Hackett. Bresnahan died, third to first. No runs.

ROBBED THE DETECTIVE.

Philadelphia Officer Thinks He Four and a haif (uriongs.)

Fo Was Chloroformed While Asleep.

## RICODON WINS THE POCANTICO

New Yorks Begin Series with James R. Keene's Colt Beats at 40 to 1 in Driving Finish at Morris Park.

M'FARLAND PUT IN BOX. WHITNEY'S STALWART WINS

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Salkal (4 to 1) 1 Tioga (10 to 1) 2, Tribes Hill 3

10) 1, Race King (20 to 1) 2, Preclous Stone 3. Time 0,52 34. THIRD RACE-Sadduces (9 to 2 . Eloin (8 to 1) 2. Granesville 3

SECOND RACE-Stalwart (13 to

FOURTH RACE-Rigidon (4 ) 1, Duke of Kendal (40 to 1) 2, Rose Tint 3. Time-1.48.

FIFTH RACE-Stevedore (2 to 5) , Mary Worth (5 to 1) 2, Lord Advocate 3. Time-1.28.

(Special to The Evening World.)
MORRIS PARK RACE TRACK, N Y., May 21.—The only redeeming feat-ure of the card this afternoon was the race for two-year-olds in which Nameoki, Rapid Water, Precious Stone Stalwart, Strephon and others were carded to go, Stalwart was said to be the best of the Whitney bunch. Strephon is believed to be Mr. Keene's best Strephon started once and ran a fair face. Stalwart has never started. The others named were cracking good two-

year-olds and a red-hot finish was anticipated. The remainder of the card was not much. Articulate and Stevedore looked to have practically walk overs. An interesting event was the carding of Thoughtless, a three-year-old filly by Halma-aHppy Sally II., who was slated to carry the colors of William K Vanderbilt. This filly raced in the West last season as a two-yearold. Mr. Vanderbilt was not at the track. He is in France, where he is racing quite extensively. It is believed that the racing of Thoughtless to-day is the first step on the part of Mr. Vanderbilt toward joining the colony of American millionaires who are at present racing large strings. Mr.

Vanderbilt's colors are white, black hoop on sleeves and black cap. The track was very fast. The attend Mr. Vanderbilt's filly was withdrawn before the time of the race for which she was entered. The colors will be seen in que time, however. George Hill has several of Mr. Vanderbilt's horses in training and one of them, Hot Air, has worked very fast.

It is said that this fellow will increase a special preparation for the futurity.

FIRST RACE.

Six and a half furlongs.

Starters, wghts., jocks.

St. Hif. Fin. Str. Pl.
Baikal. 95. A. Brennan... 5 11 12 4 4-5
Tioga. 90. Wedderstrand... 7 214214, 10 2
Tribes Hill, 108. Farley... 1 62 33 13-20 1-4
Morokants., 105. C. Smith. 2 51 42 9 5-2
Biserts., 105. G. Ryers... 3 35 54 25 6
Annie Grace. 106. Oakley... 6 42 646 50 16
Fonsolee. 103. Brenner... 4 7 7 100 30
Start goed. Won handly. Time-1.21 7.2
Baikal Fushed to the front in the first siteenth, and made all the running, winning handly by two lengths from Tioga, who was second all the way.
Tribes Hill, who was a hot favorite, was shut off early and lost a lot of ground. He closed strong and finished third, a length and a half behind Tioga. Four and a half furlongs.

## GIANTS WIN.

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Fifth Inning—McFarland breezed. Babb handled Farrell's Duke of Kendal. Which Was bunt. Denovan singled. McGann threw Smoot out. No runs. McGann struck out. Mertes was retired. Williams to Hackett. Dunn expired by the same play. No runs.

Sixth Inning—Brain and Hackett singled. On Barclay's sin-

gle Brain scored. Williams singled. McGinnity replaced Cronin in the box. Weaver popped to Gilbert. By a double play from

McFarland's rap the side was out. One run.

Babb got two bags on Barclay's muff. Gilbert sacrificed. Bath out at the plate on Warner's rap. McGinnity singled. So did Browne and Warner scored. Bresnahan out. One-run.

Seventh Inning-Farrell singled, but died starting Program

walked, but was also out pilfering. Smoot fanned. No runs.
Williams threw McGann out. Mertes singled. Dunn tripled, scoring Mertes. Babb flied out, Dunn scoring. Williams fumbled Gilbert's rap. Gil scored on Warner's safety. McGinnity out at first. Three runs.

Eighth Inning—Brain fouled to Banb. Hackett fanned. Barclay singled. Williams flied to Bresnahan. No runs.

### **BROOKLYN-PITTSBURG**

At Boston-Cincinnati 0: Boston, 3. At Philadelphia-End of sixth: Chicago, 9; Philadelphia, 5.

AMERICAN LEAGUE. NEW YORK-CHICAGO GAME POSTFONED-RAIN.

At Cleveland-End of third: Washington, 2; Cleveland, 2. At Detroit-End of third: Philadelphia, 0; Detroit, 5.

LATE RESULTS AT MORRIS PARK. Sixth Race-Oom Paul 1, Zoroaster 2, Articulate 3. AT LATONIA.

Fourth Race-Stumpy 1; Silk Maid 2, Lyrist 3. AT WORTH. Fourth Race-Au Revoir 1, Gregor K. 2, Bunter 3.

RELIANCE DISTANCES COLUMBIA AT FIRST TURN.

GLEN COVE, L. I., May 20 .- Reliance, the new cup defender. showed she was as fast as a ghost in the zephyrs that swent the Sound to-day. She rounded the first mark at 5.02.07. Columbia, twice winner of the America's Cup, was almost nine minutes behind her, turning the stake at 5.11.32.

Five and a half furlongs.

| Starters, whte. jocks. St. Hif. Pin. Str. Piscons. | Starters, whte. jocks. St. Hif. Pin. Str. Piscons. | St. Chim. | St. Ch Start fair. Won driving. Time—1.08.

While going to the post the Laurel, a good thing from the Prospect etable, ran away thre miles with little De Sousa. He was then withdrawn. Eloim rushed to the front at the start and, closely atended by Sadducee and Elue and Orange, made the running into the stretch, where Cranesville moved up and joined them. It was the hottest kind of a drive home, Sadducee winning by a head from Eloims who was a next in front of Cranesville, who beat Blue and Orange half a length.

head to the top of the hill, with Duise of Kendal and River Pirate next. They held this order until the straightened for home, where both River Pirate and Rose Tint tried to get tarough on the inside. Both were shut off and had to go to the outside. Neither could ever get up and Rigodon held his lead to the end, winning in a hard drive by a head from Duke of Kendal, who beat Rose Tint a neck. FIFTH RACE.

## TERRY M'COVERN AS A FIRE HERO.

Rescues a Woman and Her Two Children from Burning Building Opposite His Training Quarters in the Bronx.

TWO ROUNDS AND HE WON.

Terry McGovern played the part of ero in a fire at One Hundred and Seven teth street and Jerome avenue to-day Terry is training at Johnson's roadhous n Jerome avenue for his fight with Ab

Hie was awakened at 6.30 oclock screams from a building across the street. The former champion sprang from bed and saw smoke and flames issu ing from the shoe store of Biogro Festa

On the second floor were Mrs. Mary Wright and her two children. Terry slipped into a bathrobe an sprinted across the street. Scizing ar axe from a man in the shoe store h shopped down the door leading up stairs, hastened to the second floor and picked up Mrs. Wright's children.

"Follow me." he said to the wome as he started toward the street. when Mrs. Wright saw that her children were safe she gave way to the

fainted. When Terry has deposited the two youngsters on the sidewalk he went back after Mrs. Wright and managed to rescue her after being almost overcome by smoke.

"It was the flercest set-to I ever had," said the ex-champion after it was all over. "There were just two rounds, but they were tough ones. I thought I had a walkaway when I ducked out with the kids, and when I made a rush back for the lady it looked as if the smoke was going to count ten on me.

#### LOW TO DISMISS STURGIS CHARGES.

The Mayor Will Formally Announce His Ruling in Favor of Fire Commissioner Very Soon.

Mayor Low has decided to dismiss the charges against Fire Commissioner Sturgis, preferred by Comptroller Grout. The formal announcement will be made known to-morrow or the next

on the case, submitted to the Mayor to- vehicle. day, is a complete exoneration for the Fire Commissioner.

Comptroller Grout's charges indicated that the Commissioner had repeatedly of For y-seventh street and Third avenu, stopped them and made them violated Section 419 of the charter by take it into the middle of the street. He also warned them not to throw letting contracts in excess of \$1,000 without public bidding. The opinion of the
corporation Counsel is based on a decision rendered vesterday by Justice
Truax, of the Supreme Court, in the
case of James R. Keane & Co., furniture
dealers, against the city.

The firm's bills were held up by
the Compiroller with hundreds of
others pending the settlement of the
charges against Sturgis. Keane & Co.
brought suit for \$5,500 for material furnished, claiming that at no time did the
city purchase as much as \$1,000 worth
of furniture at one time. It was the
contention of the Comptroller in the
Sturgis case that the Commissioner purchased material many times in excess
of the \$1,000 limit and wilfully violated
the law though repeatedly warned.

It is said that just as soon as the
Mayor publicly dismisses the charges

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It is said that just as soon as the Mayor publicly dismisses the charges aginst Commissioner Sturgis the Comptroler will place all the facts in his possession before the District-Attorney.

#### \$73,500 FOR PORTRAIT.

Sensational Price Paid at Auction

for Painting by Raeburn. LONDON, May 21 .- A sensational price, \$73,500, was paid by a dealer in a

# AND 10 PERSONS ARE BADLY HURT.

Policeman and Fireman May Die as the Result of the Injuries They Received When the Tank of the Vehicle Exploded on Third Avenue and Scattered a Rain of Blazing Oil Among the Spectators.

ONE KILLED MANY HURT IN GAS EXPLOSIONS IN THE BRONX

Houses Several Blocks Away Blown to Pieces -Swarm of School Children Passing in the Vicinity Badly Shocked-Fire Follows and Wipes Out Buildings Over a Wide Region.

The explosion of an automobile tank at Forty-seventh street and Third avenue this afternoon scattered a deluge of blazing oil on a crow. of persons. Ten of them were so badly injured that they had to be taken to Flower Hospital.

An explosion of gas tanks in the yards of the New York Central Railroad shook up the Bronx territory earlier in the afternoon. One man was killed and several hurt, and a fire followed in the wake of the explosion that had to be fought with tremendous vigor before it was

THE INJURED. AGROSBE, JOSEPH, driver, No. 175 Mulberry street. CONE RICHARD, No. 1454 Amsterdam avenue. HARRIS, WILLIAM, fireman of Engine Co. No. 21. KENDRIGEN, HARRY, fireman, of Engine Co. No. 8. KOPPEL, ADOLPH, jeweller, No. 763 Third avenue.

LYNCH, J. P., nineteen years old, a blind newsdealer, of No. 848 Second MARTIN, PETER, fireman, of Engine Co. No. 21. UTIN ADOLPH, twenty-one years old, of No. 567 East One Hund

Fifty-eighth street. TOOMEY, JOHN, policeman, attached to East Fifty-first street station. THE CHAUFFEUR, name not known.

Ten men, including three firemen and a policeman, were terribly burned this afternoon by blasing oil scattered over their faces, hands and clothing caused by the explosion of a burning automobile. Two of the injured will

The automobile was owned by Peter De Witt, millionaire coal dealer, whose yards are at Forty-ninth street and the East River. It was a gasoline machine of the roadster type.

Mr. De Witt's chauffeur was taking the auto across town to be repaired. When he turned into Third avenue at Forty-seventh street he noticed that the gasoline motor was leaking badly and got off to fix it. He inadevrtently opened a feed valve, and the oil caught fire and blazed up. COULDN'T PUT OUT THE BLAZE.

Policeman Toomey, of the East Fifty-first street station, who was on the corner, went to the chauffeur's assistance, but their efforts to put out the flames were uneless. Toomey turned in an alarm. Engine Companies Nos. 8 and 21 and a

hook and ladder responded. The firemen immediately attached the hose to day. ... a hook and ladder responded had collected about the burning As the firemen were about to turn the hose on the flames Theodore Vande ber, a caretaker of the bank building on the northewestern corner

water on the burning motor of the auto.

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#### MAJOR EBSTEIN GETS POINTS IN BERLIN.

He Finds One Good Excise Feature training of police probationers is the and Some Police Methods Which Might Be Adopted in New York.

BERLIN, May 2i.—Major Ebstein,
Deputy Police Commissioner of New
York, is here studying Berlin police
methods. He sees one feature of the
excise control that could be applied in
American cities. Licenses are granted
only to 11 P. M. Closing posmits are
subsequently issued by the police for

12 o'clock, 1 A. M., 2 A. M., &c., and are revokable by police order if places are conducted improperly. Thus the police have absolute control over the houses devoted to night trade. One of the most curious things in the

Museum, where are kept an infinite variety of oriminal reminiscences footprints on different earths, bloodstained